MADRAS

5th September, 1915.

St. Andrew's Church, Madras

Joint Chaplain.—Rev. Neil Meldrum, M.A., B.D., 2, Victoria Crescent, Egmore (*On leave.*)
Acting Chaplain.—Rev. A. Templeton, M.A., B.D., College House, Georgetown.
Kirk Session.—The Chaplain, J. R. Atkinson Esq., W. A. Beardsell Esq., J. M. Ewing Esq., Dr. J. R. Henderson, W. Hutton Esq., W. Lamb Esq., R. W. Ross Esq., Capt. A. J. H. Russell, Col. R. Robertson, J. F. Simpson Esq., and the Rev. A. Templeton.
Church Officer—Mr. H. Boys, Kirk Villa, Egmore.
Organist and Choirmaster—C. Norman Lindsaye Esq., Woodlands, Royapettah.
Free School Headmistress—Mrs. Bennet, St. Andrew's Free School.
Dorcas Society Secretary—Mrs. J. R. Atkinson, Goodwood, Kilpauk.
Women's Guild Secretary—Mrs. Turner, Silverton, Casamajor Road.
Women's Guild Treasurer—Mrs. F. Thomas, Buckingham Gardens, Perambur.
Sunday School Superintendent—H. P. Ashworth Esq., Kalamunda, Nungambakum.
School Visitation Committee Secretary—Mrs. Taylor-Mitchell, Kedleston, Kilpauk.
Honorary Auditor—H. P. Ashworth Esq., Nungambakum.

Church Notices

SITTINGS AND MAGAZINES—Application for vacant sittings should be made to the Clerk, with whom should also be lodged orders for the Monthly Parish Magazine (Rs. 2 per annum), and the Indian Quarterly, *St. Andrew* (8 annas per annum). To seat holders *Life and Work*, with local Supplement, is supplied free. Copies of the Hymnary, Psalter, and Anthem Book, with or without music, may also be purchased from the Church Clerk.

HOURS OF SERVICE—Divine Service is held on Sundays at 8 A.M. and 6 P.M. Choir Practice on Thursdays at 6-15 P.M. Women's Guild meets 1st and 3rd Thursdays of the month at 4-30 P.M.

HOLY COMMUNION—The Sacrament of the Lord's Supper is dispensed after evening service on the first Sunday of every quarter, and after morning service on the sixth Sunday of the quarter.

BAPTISM—The Sacrament of Baptism is administered in the Church on Thursday evenings, or on Sundays after the morning service.

FUNERALS—Funerals should be arranged through an Undertaker.

ST. ANDREW'S CEMETERY—St. Andrew's Cemetery is, by Government order, reserved for the burial of *bona fide* members of St. Andrew's Church and Presbyterian soldiers; and the sanction of the Chaplain has to be obtained.

FREE SCHOOL—There is an Industrial Class in connection with the Free School. Orders for towels, dusters, etc., may be sent to Mrs. Atkinson, "Goodwood," Kilpauk, or to the Church Clerk. The money thus earned helps to defray the salary of an extra teacher.

Church Notes

Holy Communion.—The Sacrament of the Lord's Supper was dispensed at the conclusion of the Morning Service of the 15th instant and a goodly number of members availed themselves of this opportunity to celebrate the Sacrament.

Special Collections.—The offerings made at the services last Sunday on behalf of the Madras Friend-in-Need Society realised Rs. 37.

The Chaplaincy.—The return of the Rev. Neil Meldrum, Joint Chaplain, is shortly expected and the Acting Chaplain takes this opportunity of thanking the congregation for their kindness to him during the occupancy of the charge. He desires specially to express

his thanks to the members of the Kirk Session for their support, to Miss Peters and Mr. Hird for their voluntary and honorary services at the organ, to all the members of the choir, to Mr. Ashworth and the teachers of the Sunday School.

Sunday School.—The school re-opened on August 8th with a very satisfactory attendance of pupils, which compared well with the average for some years past. The Superintendent was glad to welcome back our most faithful teachers Mrs. Boys and the Misses Falconer. In addition to these, Miss Kelly and Miss Bain (of the Church of Scotland Mission, Kilpauk) have kindly undertaken to teach during the absence of Mr. and Mrs. Meldrum, and Mr. Conran has also come forward to help in this work, and is displaying considerable interest in it.

One of the elder girls is now a regular teacher of an infant class, so at present we are well staffed with teachers.

The Superintendent is fully aware of what it means to those who give up the freedom of their Sunday afternoons to teach in the school and all help in this way is very much appreciated. As a rule few survive the ordeal for more than a session or two!

Dorcas Society.—On Thursday, the 27th July, our Church Poor, including the Free School children, assembled in the school room for the half-yearly distribution of Dorcas clothing. Mrs. J. R. Atkinson, our Honorary Secretary, assisted by Miss Stephenson, made all arrangements regarding the clothing and we heartily thank these ladies for their unfailing support and labour of love; Mrs. W. Meston kindly distributed the garments and was presented with a handsome bouquet of "Kirk" flowers. A most enjoyable time was spent and it seems a great pity there were not more to witness the progress and success of the outside labours of the church. The programme of entertainment specially arranged by the teachers of the Free School was delightful. We shall be pleased to receive the names of more subscribers to our Dorcas Fund; many of its members are at home, so that our subscriptions have fallen off very much indeed.

The Free School.—Applications for admission to the school continue to be made, but with our present limited list of supporters it is quite out of the question to admit more scholars. Donations and Thankofferings will be gratefully received. The children in addition to receiving free education, are fed daily and twice a year gifts of clothing are made to them. The Headmistress is always glad to receive visitors. We are particularly grateful to Mrs. Taylor-Mitchell for her recent gifts. We would take this opportunity of thanking her and her School Visitation Committee for their continued warm interest in the school.

The Women's Guild.—The Guild re-opened on Thursday, the 5th of August; there was a very large gathering—all the members are keen to work hard for a Sale of Work which they hope to hold on a Saturday afternoon and evening in November. Her Excellency Lady Pentland, who is the President of the Guild, has very kindly consented to open the Sale.

There will be a number of stalls containing all kinds of fancy work, plain work and baby linen—one stall will contain nothing but dolls of all sorts and sizes—this should prove very attractive to those who are thinking about Christmas presents for their children. There will be a flower, fruit and vegetable stall and also the very necessary refreshment stall. During the evening there will be a concert and two or three side shows. The Guild hopes to make the Sale a very great success and trusts that all the members will make a point of attending every meeting which will be held regularly from 4-30 to 6 o'clock every first and third Thursday in the month.

The War.—In last month's supplement we saluted Mr. Guthrie on his departure for active service, news has come through that he has been wounded though not seriously, we understand he has returned to the firing line.

Anglo-Indian Association.—The Inter-School Sports Meeting has arranged to hold its sports on Thursday, 7th October, 1915. Miss Callaghan has been elected to represent our Free School at the Committee Meetings.

COLLECTIONS, ST. ANDREW'S CHURCH

1915		Rs.	A.	P.
July 4th (Ordinary)	...	50	0	3
,, 11th ,,	...	37	0	0
,, 18th ,,	...	24	4	0
,, 25th ,,	...	37	6	6
Total	...	148	10	9

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Baptism

"*Suffer little children to come unto Me and forbid them not.*"

29th August, 1915—Melvin Edwin, son of Richard and Betsy Henricus.

Marriage

"*What God hath joined together let not man put asunder.*"

4th August, 1915—Frederick William Mansfield to Ellen Grace Jenkins.

Burial

"*I am the Resurrection and the Life.*"

11th August, 1915.—Hubert Tapsell, 25 years.

CHURCH ACCOUNTS

I.—Monthly Statement of Kirk Session Fund Account for July, 1915

RECEIPTS	AMOUNT			DISBURSEMENTS	AMOUNT		
	RS.	A.	P.		RS.	A.	P.
By Government Grant	109	0	0	To Communion Elements ...	2	14	0
„ Seat Rents	150	0	0	„ Church Choir for June, 1915 ...	276	0	0
„ Church Collections	148	10	9	„ „ Establishment, June, '15	160	8	0
				„ Peons' umbrellas	4	2	0
Balance Debit this Account ...	126	0	3	„ Brass plates for C. table and chairs	20	0	0
				„ M. E. S. Co. current for June, 1915	9	8	0
				„ Fire Policy Premium, 1915-16 ...	56	4	0
				„ Miscellaneous	4	7	0
Total ...	533	11	0	Total ...	533	11	0

II.—Monthly Statement of St. Andrew's Free School Account for July, 1915

RECEIPTS	AMOUNT			DISBURSEMENTS	AMOUNT		
	RS.	A.	P.		RS.	A.	P.
By Government Grant	100	0	0	To Establishment	204	0	0
„ Subscriptions and donation ...	25	0	0	„ Food (daily)	84	4	0
„ Kirk Session Fund Account ...	173	3	6	„ Books, Stationery, etc. ...	7	7	6
				„ Repair, Teachers' chairs, etc. ...	2	8	0
Total ...	298	3	6	Total ...	298	3	6

ANDREW TEMPLETON,
Acting Joint Chaplain.

I certify that the Church Accounts for *June* have been examined by me and found correct.

MADRAS,
22nd June, 1915.

H. PERCY ASHWORTH,
Hony. Auditor and Treasurer.

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